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APPLICANTS: DE MATOS CORREIA E VALLE ET AL. - 1 (RCE)

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NEOPLASTIC CELLS TO BE USED TO MONITOR MINIMAL DISEASE LEVELS USING FLOW CYTOMETRY MEASUREMENTS

PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) AND RULE 17(a)(3)

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SIR:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 14, 2008 for three months from August 14, 2008 to November 14, 2008. The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge \$555.00 covering the fee for a three-month extension for a Small Entity to Deposit Account No. 03-2468. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit Account No. 03-2468.

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